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SUBJECT: CEREMONY HONORING RAOUL WALLENBERG

1. LABOR COUNSELOR NAGY REPRESENTED THE EMBASSY IN CARDIFF ON NOVEMBER 24 AT A TREE PLANTING CEREMONY HONORING HONORARY US CITIZEN RAOUL WALLENBERG. THE CEREMONY WAS ORGANIZED BY THE CARDIFF RAOUL WALLENBERG COMMITTEE. SWEDISH AMBASSADOR LEIFLAND, WHO HAS APPARENTLY BEEN CLOSELY INVOLVED WITH THE WALLENBERG CASE FOR A LONG TIME, EULOGIZED WALLENBERG'S HEROISM. HE EXPRESSED THE "WORKING ASSUMPTION" THAT WALLENBERG IS STILL ALIVE, AND CALLED FOR RENEWED EFFORTS TO ELICIT SOVIET COOPERATION IN DETERMINING HIS FATE. THE EMBASSY REPRESENTATIVE WAS ALSO CALLED UPON TO ADDRESS A FEW WORDS TO THE APPROXIMATELY 100 PEOPLE WHO WERE GATHERED IN THE LIGHT RAIN.

2. THE CEREMONY ATTRACTED LOCAL MEDIA COVERAGE. THE WALLENBERG COMMITTEE WAS PARTICULARLY GRATEFUL TO HAVE US REPRESENTATION AT THE EVENT. PRICE

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